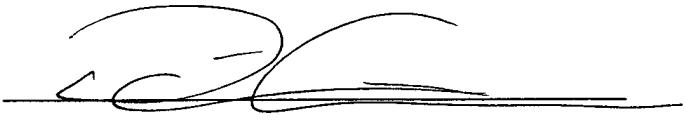


Claims 1, 2-26, and 46-52 are cancelled as they are being pursued in separate applications. Claims 27-45 are cancelled with prejudice. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute these claims, or similar claims, in the future. New claims 53-109 are added in the present amendment. A copy of the pending claims, as amended, is attached for the Examiner's convenience. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone interview would aid in the prosecution of this application, Applicants encourage the Examiner to call the undersigned collect at (608) 218-6900.

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